

Food and Drug Administration Rockville MD 20857

Re: Lexiscan Patent Nos. 6,403,567 and 6,642,210 Docket Nos. FDA-2009-E-0048 and FDA-2009-E-0047

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The Honorable Jon Dudas
Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property
Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office
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Dear Director Dudas:

This is in regard to the applications for patent term extension for U.S. Patent Nos. 6,403,567 and 6,642,210 filed by CV Therapeutics, Inc., under 35 U.S.C. § 156. The human drug product claimed by the patents is Lexiscan (regadenoson monohydrate), which was assigned new drug application (NDA) No. 22-161.

A review of the Food and Drug Administration's official records indicates that this product was subject to a regulatory review period before its commercial marketing or use, as required under 35 U.S.C. § 156(a)(4). Our records also indicate that it represents the first permitted commercial marketing or use of the product, as defined under 35 U.S.C. § 156(f)(1), and interpreted by the courts in *Glaxo Operations UK Ltd. v. Quigg*, 706 F. Supp. 1224 (E.D. Va. 1989), *aff'd*, 894 F. 2d 392 (Fed. Cir. 1990).

The NDA was approved on April 10, 2008, which makes the submission of the patent term extension applications on June 6, 2008, timely within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 156(d)(1).

Should you conclude that the subject patents are eligible for patent term extension, please advise us accordingly. As required by 35 U.S.C. § 156(d)(2)(A) we will then determine the applicable regulatory review period, publish the determination in the *Federal Register*, and notify you of our determination.

Please let me know if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

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